

## BAKERSFIELD TO PALMDALE

The Bakersfield to Palmdale section of California's high-speed train project - the largest public infrastructure project in the nation - is 85 miles long. This section travels southeast and roughly parallels highways 58 and 14. Stations will be in the terminus cities of Bakersfield, where it will connect with the Fresno to Bakersfield section, and Palmdale, where it will connect with the Palmdale to Los Angeles section.

### **REGIONAL FACTS**

- The project will create up to 100,000 construction-related jobs a year while the system is being built, and is expected to generate up to 450,000 permanent new jobs in the next 25 years.
- Travel time between Bakersfield and Los Angeles is estimated to be **54 minutes**.
- The initial system is projected to attract **5,100** boardings daily in Bakersfield and 12,900 in Palmdale.

to Sacramento K & San Francisco

Bakersfield

Palmdale

# Where Are We Now?

The high-speed train system is currently in the project-level environmental review process, which will lead to decisions establishing the specific track alignment for each section of the system. For this section:

- Prepared scope of environmental review of Bakersfield to Palmdale high-speed rail project - March-April 2009
- Develop and assess alternatives and design options to be included in this project's formal EIR/EIS process -May 2009-November 2010
- Prepare project draft EIR/EIS November 2010-December 2011
- Circulate project draft EIR/EIS December 2011-February 2012
- Federal and state governments formally adopt Bakersfield to Palmdale project - September 2012

Dates and milestones subject to change

#### Los Angeles

Indicates segment between Bakersfield and Palmdale, not potential stations.

Anaheim

to San Diego ↓

## **CONNECTING CALIFORNIA**

- Creates jobs
- A safe and easy way to travel
- ) Environmentally responsible
- Powered by electricity
- ) Operating speeds: 125 mph 220 mph
- ) 800-mile system
- Largest infrastructure project in the U.S. to stimulate economy

